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Subject: Volumes of Colorado River Water Deferred - Calendar Years (CY) 2011 Through 2016

Dear Principal Engineer Peña:

The Bureau of Reclamation has received the International Boundary and Water Commission's (IBWC) letter dated April 28, 2017, advising Reclamation that the Mexican Section of the IBWC formally concurred with the accounting by the U.S. Section of the IBWC for the volumes of Colorado River water deferred in CY 2011 through 2016 in accordance with the provisions of Minute Nos. 318 and 319. Mexico did not request a downward delivery adjustment to its 1,850,234,000 cubic meter (CM) (1,500,000 acre-feet (AF)) allotment in CY 2016. Upon applying the 3 percent reduction for evaporation, the end of CY 2016 deferred delivery balance available for future delivery is 275,823,284 CM (223,612 AF).

Based on the Colorado River water delivery schedules provided by the U.S. Section of the IBWC for CY 2011 through 2016 reflecting deferred delivery amounts, Reclamation concurs with the values provided by IBWC. The table below reflects the deferred delivery amounts provided by IBWC converted from CM to AF as used in Reclamation's water accounting practices.

Year	Volume Deferred Per Year		Cumulative Volume		Delivery of Volumes Previously Deferred		3 Percent Evaporation		Net Volume as of December 31 After Subtracting Evaporation	
	(CM)	(AF)	(CM)	(AF)	(CM)	(AF)	(CM)	(AF)	(CM)	(AF)
2011	62,089,000	50,336	62,089,000	50,336	-	-	1,862,670	1,510	60,226,330	48,826
2012	164,026,130	132,977	224,252,460	181,803	-	-	6,727,574	5,454	217,524,886	176,349
2013	156,421,790	126,812	373,946,676	303,162	-	-	11,218,400	9,095	362,728,276	294,067
2014	69,086,520	56,009	431,814,796	350,076	129,600,000	105,068	9,066,444	7,350	293,148,352	237,658
2015	0	0	293,148,352	237,658	0	0	8,794,451	7,130	284,353,901	230,528
2016	0	0	284,353,901	230,528	0	0	8,530,617	6,916	275,823,284	223,612

If you have questions please contact Mr. Paul Matuska, Water Accounting and Verification Group Manager, at 702-293-8164 or [pmatuska@usbr.gov](mailto:pmatuska@usbr.gov).

Sincerely,



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